

**Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20554**

Mid America Computer Corporation)	
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Petition for Expedited Interim Waiver of)	CC Docket No. 02-386
Section 64.4002 of the Commission's Rules)	

PETITION FOR EXPEDITED INTERIM WAIVER

Introduction

Pursuant to Section 1.3 of the Commission's Rules¹, Mid America Computer Corporation (MACC) requests, on behalf of its client companies, expedited interim waiver (until September 1, 2006) of certain portions of Section 64.4002 of the Commission's "customer account record exchange requirements" rules, which took effect on September 21, 2005². Interim waiver is requested on behalf of the small rural telephone company clients that use the billing services of MACC due to additional programming changes needed to comply fully with the CARE Order. MACC makes this request to allow it sufficient time to complete development of the software in a cost-effective manner with a minimum amount of expense to its small rural clients.

Background

MACC has provided billing and data processing services to small rural incumbent local exchange carriers (ILECs) for 30 years, currently serving approximately 275 companies in 27 states. As the industry continues to change, MACC serves the traditional

¹ 47 C.F.R. § 1.3.

² See *Rules and Regulations Implementing Minimum Customer Account Record Exchange Obligations on All Local and Interexchange Carriers*, CG Docket No. 02-386, FCC 05-29, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (rel. February 25, 2005) (*CARE Order*), 70 Fed. Reg. 32258 (June 2, 2005) (Amending 47 C.F.R. Part 64, Subpt. CC)

independent ILECs as well as increasing numbers of competitive local exchange carriers (CLECs) providing local and long distance services.

MACC works very diligently to provide its services to its clients in the most cost-effective way. One way it does this is by attempting to combine and incorporate programming changes for new requirements in regularly-scheduled releases of its operating support system product and thus, limiting the cost to the client, rather than issuing numerous updates which would be very costly to its clients.

Waiver Request

MACC fully understands how important the exchange of critical customer account information is to ensure that consumers' phone service bills are accurate and that their carrier selection requests are honored and executed without undue delay. It consistently strives to ensure that its billing and data processing services provided to small rural ILECs and CLECs meet FCC and state requirements on a timely basis. MACC, also, realizes how important it is to provide the most cost-effective solutions to its small rural clients without unnecessary financial burdens. For that reason, MACC respectfully asks the Commission on behalf of approximately 275 small rural telephone companies for an interim waiver until September 1, 2006, of: (1) the requirement that carriers indicate that the customer's account is subject to a preferred interexchange carrier (PIC) freeze as mandated by Section 64.4002(a)(7), and (2) the requirement that carriers notify the interexchange carrier that the PIC change order is rejected as mandated by Section 64.4002(c). This waiver will allow MACC to include the software solutions for these requirements in its next regularly-scheduled release of its operating support system product without significant cost to its small rural ILEC and CLEC clients.

MACC wishes to emphasize that its processing services are in compliance with the other requirements of the CARE Order.

Due to the timing of this filing, MACC also respectfully requests the grant of an interim waiver on an expedited basis.

Respectfully submitted,

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